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SUBJECT: Annual National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Planning Summary-2003

TO: Beverly A. Cook, Assistant Secretary  
for Environment, Safety and Health

As required under DOE Order 45 1.1 B, the Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology (NE) NEPA planning summary for the year 2003 is attached. Should you or your staff have any questions or comments on this summary, please contact Raj Sharma, NE NEPA Compliance Officer, at (301) 903-2899.



William D. Magwood, IV, Director  
Office of Nuclear Energy, Science  
and Technology

Attachment

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**Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology (NE)**

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**Status of Ongoing NEPA Compliance Activities**

There are no NEPA reviews in progress in NE.

**EAs Expected to be Prepared in the Next 12 months**

Uranium-233 Disposition and Building 3019A Deactivation

The main objectives of this effort are to process and repackage the DOE's inventory of Uranium-233 stored in the Radiochemical Development Facility (Building 3019A) at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory to render it suitable for safe, long-term, economical storage including elimination of the need for criticality and safeguards and security controls, and in the process, to extract Thorium-229 for beneficial use in medical research and potential treatment from as much of the U-233 inventory as is practicable. The Oak Ridge Operations Office (OR) has the lead in preparation and approval of the EA. NE NEPA Compliance Officer will participate in review and approval of the EA.

**Environmental Impact Statements Expected to be Prepared in the Next 24 Months**

None